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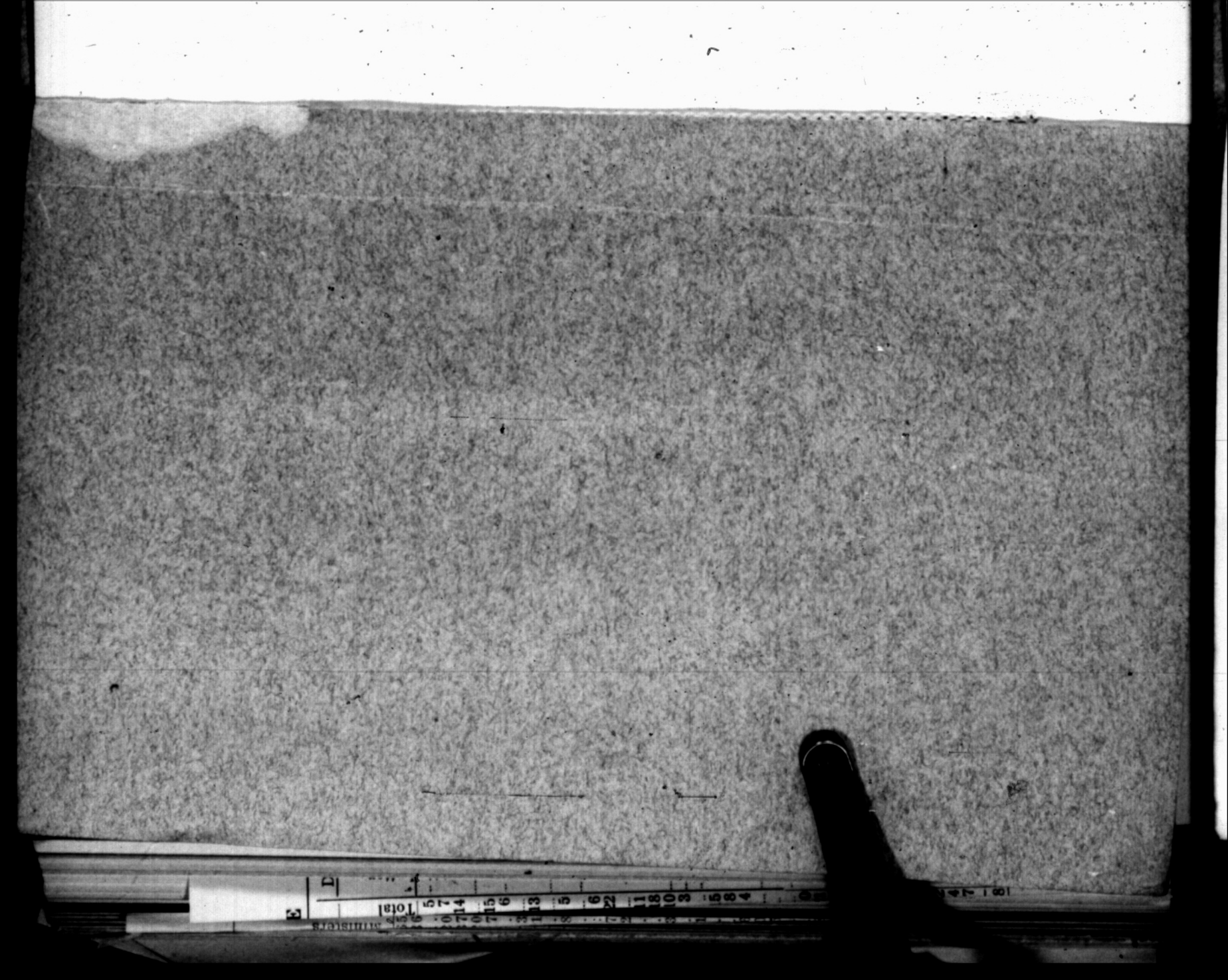

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PROCEEDINGS

The Choctaw County Baptist Association met in its third annual session with the Weir church, Oct. 4, 1923.

Called to order by singing, "Higher Ground". Led in prayer by T. W. Green. The moderator, Bro. H. M. Whitten read 2nd chapter of Phil. On motion of Bro. H. L. Rhodes the present officers, H. M. Whitten, moderator, and G. D. Weatherall, clerk and treasurer, were re-elected. Bro. H. L. Rhodes then led in a special prayer.

Roll of Delegates.

Ackerman Rev. H. G. West, Mrs. R. B. Fulcher, Mrs. E. B. Dobbs, H. L Rhodes, Mrs. J. F. Ferguson.

Bethany .....

Bethlehem ....

Beulah J. H. Eddleman, W. A. Coleman, W. A. Whitten, Winfield Black.

Blythe Creek .....

Bluff Springs J. T. Brown.

Chester E. E. Robinson, W. L. Edwards, Mrs. W. L. Edwards, Allen King.

Clear Springs W. P. Orr, J. P. Biggers, Harvey Daves, Mrs. W. P. Orr.

Concord G. B. Catledge.

Grape Creek .....

Ebenezer Joe R. Woods, J. W. McWhorter.
Fellowship D. L Humphries.
Fentress W. D. Wells, J. H. Prewitt.
French Camp A. L Rainwater, J. A. Wilson.
McCurtains Creek .....
Mt. Moriah .O. N. Harris, A. H. Howard, A. C Prewit.
Mt. Pisgah
New Haven N. W. Nail.
New Zion Ben King, T. J. King, Homer Ming, G. D. Weatherall.
Providence W. L. Mills.
Spring Hill J. H. Williams, Mrs. J. H. Williams.
Weir D. P. Franks, E. D. Bowie, G. A. Eddleman, Rev. H. M. Whitten.
Wood Springs .....

Called for Correspondents— Bro. T. W. Green, enlistment man for districts 1 and 4. Miss Traylor representing the W. M. U. Kosciusko Association, Bros. J. P. Johnson and D. I. Young.

Returned Correspondents— Kosciusko association, H. G. West, H. L. Rhodes, H. M. Whitten.

State Convention— H. G. West. G. D. Weatherall, H. M. Whitten, D L. Humphries, T. J. King. The moderator appointed Bro. D. L. Humphries and A. H. Howard on the finance committee.

The hour having arrived for the introductory sermon, Bro. H.G. West read from the 1st chapter of Romans and brought us a great message as to the duty of all christians to the whole world. D. I. Young then led in praver.

On motion by G. A. Eddleman, the association adjourned til one o'clock.

THURSDAY AFTERNOON

After song service, led in prayer by Bro. W. M. Black

The report on Missions was read by H L. Rhodes and after some appropriate remarks by him it was discussed by D. I. Young, H. G. West, J. P. Johnson, T. W. Green and then adopted.

REPORT ON MISSIONS

Christ said unto his disciples: "Ye shall be witnesses unto me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea, and in Samaria, and unto the uttermost parts of the earth" He then ascended unto the Father. Since that time the Kingdom interests have been in human hands and hearts and minds, directed by the Spirit of God The success in spreading the glad tidings of the gospel in the different periods of the gospel history has been in proportion to the zeal and enthusiasm of the church. The Holy Ghost Called Paul and Barnabas and the church at Antioch Sent them into the foreign field. So has the Holy Ghost ever called? but the church has been spasmodic in the sending.

The Southern Baptist Convention was organized about three fourths of a century ago for the purpose of carrying out the command to witness unto the uttermost parts of the earth. At the beginning the work was on a small scale, but as the years went by the people became better educated in Kingdom affairs. Interest and enthusiasm increased until four years ago when the great 75 million campaign was launched. This was such an advance step that many of the brethren said that it was more than we could do. But at the end of the campaign when the subscription week was reached the amount was over subcribed.

During these last three and one half years more progress has been made in extending the kingdom of God to the remotest bounds than was made during any previous ten year period Southern Baptists have gained 57 new associations, 3068 local churches, 3287 Sunday Schools, and baptized 762,880 persons, 881 active ministers,

Our Foreign Mission Board has been able to enter six new fields, and the growth in our foreign mission work has been marvelous Our missionaries report 34334 baptisms. 386 new churches, 68 self supporting churches, 39 houses of worship, 687 Sunday Schools with 31292 pupils. It is wonderful how the converts on the foreign field will contribute to the support of the churches. It is gratifying to know that the work is being laid on a solid and permanent base. Literary and

Theological schools, hospitals and orphanages are being established.

The progress made by the Home and State Boards has been equally encouraging. It is difficult to estimate in figures the work done by these Boards for the reason that they work in co-operation with the local pastors. Our Orphanages, Hospitals, Christian Education, and Ministerial Relief have each received their share of the increased contributions, and the work done by these Institutions has been proportionately increased.

About $44,000,000 was paid in by May 1st of this year. We have faith in the Baptist people to believe that the other $31 000,000 will be paid in by December of next year.

Let us now turn our attention to the situation within our Association. We find that some of the churches have paid up their subscriptions, others have paid fairly well, while some have done almost nothing. Some individul members in most of the churches have paid up, but because of the failure of so many others their churches are in arrears. Our Association as a whole is far behind. What of the existing conditions?. Some plead short crops and hard times and these we must admit; but brethren, can you honestly in the fear of God say that you have done your best?

We ought to pay up our pledges, or at least do the best we can, because it is a vow to God, because the Boards need the money to carry on the work, because our honor is at stake, because all the other denominations have their eyes on us to see if we are going to succeed or fail, because of the comfort and joy it will bring to our own hearts, and because God demands and expects it of us.

Your committee recomends that every church in the Association have an all day service on their regular meeting days in October, and that the pastors, if they choose, invite other speakers to assist them in bringing the cause before the people with the object in view of getting a liberal cash contribution for every member.

Very respectfully submitted,

H. L. Rhodes, Mrs. E. B. Dobbs, Mrs. R. B. Fulcher. Com.

On motion of H. G. West the same resolutions in regard to our future work were adopted.

Report on Ministerial Relief was read by J. M. Smith and after some remarks by he, H. L. Rhodes, J.P. Johnson, D. I. Green and W. L Mills, it was adopted.

REPORT ON MINISTERIAL RELIEF

It is one of the principles of human nature that the old and worn out shall be taken care of. The Railroad Companies have recognized this principle and do now provide for their employees in their old age. Our State and National Governments provide liberally for those who become disabled in the defense of their country. Our Federal Government also provides for the civil employees when they are no longer capacited to hold their jobs.

The Baptist church has for a number of years recognized this necessity and has attempted in so far as the voluntary contributions would permit to relieve the wants of our old worn out preachers and their widows. The regret is that we have not acknowledged our obligations to them by making our offerings sufficient to relieve their necessities. We are glad to say, however, that during the last few years our contributions have enabled the Board to do a better part to them.

The Ministerial Relief Board now has an organized plan whereby ministers can take a policy which will help them when they become unable to serve in the pastorate, and will also provide for their loved ones in case of their departure. Your committee recommends that our pastors, and especially the younger ones, look into this proposition and take advantage of the liberal offer the Board is making for their welfare when they are no longer able to provide for themselves.

Very respectfully submitted,

J. M. Smith, chairman.

The devotional committee reported that Bro. D. I. Young preach tonight.

The moderator appointed J. N. Franks, D. L. Humphries and A. L. Rainwater a committee on nominations.

Adjourned till 9:30 in the morning.

CHOCTAW COUNTY BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

FRIDAY MORNING

After the song service Bro. D. I. Young led a short devotional service, reading from the tenth chapter of John, and Bro. J. H. Prewitt led in prayer.

Report on Temperance. This report was discussed by J. H. Prewitt, G D Weatherall, H L. Rhodes and H G. West and adopted.

REPORT ON TEMPERANCE

In looking around us, what are some of the results we see from temperance?

We see many of the American homes reconstructed. Instead of spending money for whiskey and gambling; the head of the family is looking to his family, and buying food and clothes and trying to educate his children and give them a showing with other children; the workman is making his home a fit place to live in.

Prohibition has been successful even tho in many cases administered by its enemies.

If its friends were at the helm of prohibition enforcement there would be less violations

Prohibition is prohibiting more successfully than its opponents desire.

They may continue to rage and imagine vain things about it, but prohibition is here to stay, and all of the wet organizations can not galvanize into life the dead body of John Barley-Corn.

The serpent of the still may be likened unto a wicked bank.

Those who deposit in it lose money, time, character, independence, home comfort, self-control, happiness of their children and at last their souls.

To establish thoroughly the principles of temperance we must begin with the youth and stamp indelibly upon their young hearts the teachings of our Blessed Master, before the world lures them away from us into all kinds of sin and wickedness.

We should not forget the fact that we are responsible to God for the young lives that are entrusted to our care and

keeping.

Therefore we ought to be living examples to them to influence and lead them in our Masters footsteps.

God wants us to be temperate in all things so that our lives will not be filled with an excess of sin.

Resolved that we do our best to live a consecrated life that will be worthy for our children to emulate; and that we use our influence for law enforcement against these evils.

Respt. submitted,
J. H Prewitt.

Report on Hospitals. This report was discussed by D. I. Young and adopted.

REPORT ON HOSPITALS

1. Mississippi Baptist Hospital—R. S. Curry, Superintendent.

The past year has been perhaps the most important year in the growth and developement of the Baptist Hospital in its whole history.

We have now a splendidly working staff of Physicians, Surgeons and Specialists. We have a first class chemical laboratory; a splendid X-ray machine used for diagnostic work, with Dr. W F. Henderson, who is one of the best radiologists in the state, in charge. We will, within the next sixty days, install a new up-to-date X-ray machine to be used wholly for treatment of incurable cases especially cancer cases.

We have treated, since our last report, 1,671 patients, 210 of whom were treated free. The Hospital has no funds with which to care for charity patients except the profit made upon pay patients which fact prevents us from taking many who apply for free hospital care

We now have 25 nurses - splendid young women who are preparing themselves for the high calling of nursing the sick.

We are profoundly grateful to all our friends who have given us assistance, especially the different church, Sunday School and missionary organizations.

The good women, last fall, organized the Hospital Auxilliary which has done and is doing splendid work for the Hospital.

We bespeak them the hearty cooperation of all friends of the hospital.

2 Baptist Memorial Hospital -- Joseph Purvis, Supt.

The work of the hospital moved forward steadily during the first six months of 1923. The aim has been to keep the work up to the standard and make improvements in organization and operation. The second floor was put into use for patients during this period.

Patronage continues to increase, as shown by the following figures: Patients admitted 5,399 (as against 4,168 for same period last year), of these 602 came from Arkansas, 3,745 from Tennessee, 909 from Mississippi and 143 from other states. 468 of these were cared for in the charity departments, 80 from Arkansas, 292 from Tennessee, 62 from Mississippi, and 34 from other states.

In the laboratories 7,615 examinations and tests were made; the X-ray Department did 1,506 treatments and pictures; the new department of Physio-Therapy administered 1,276 treatments. The expenditures in operating the hospital for the six months were $265,641 31; of this amount $47,485 86 was expended for charity. Double all these figures and a year's work will be seen. Only the year's work will probably be more than double, since the work grows in volume from year to year.

The bonded indebtedness, on account of building, is $240,000.00. The payment of pledges, made in the 75 Million Campaign in Tennessee, Mississippi, Arkansas and Memphis and vicinity, are depended on to liquidate this indebtedness.

The religious life of the institution among patients and nurses, moves on as heretofore. A volunteer Band has recently been organized in the Training School, through the influence of the Inter-Board Commission in Student activities. The Woman's Auxiliary of the hospital keeps up its active and useful service, both in and out of the hospital. They deserve the cooperation of the Baptist women in the three states.

Report on Christian Education. This report was read by H. G. West, and after being discussed by him, G. D. Weather-

all and D.I. Young was adopted

CHRISTIAN EDUCATION

The most powerful agencies of our denomination are our Schools and Colleges. Extensive and permanent conquests cannot be made for our Master without a trained leadership. A trained Baptist leadership is impossible without unadulterated Baptist Colleges Almost a century ago some Mississippi Baptist realized this fact and laid the foundation for the splendid system of schools which we so proudly claim today.

Mississippi Baptist Schools

Clarke Memorial College— This is a co-educational junior college. It is ideally and strategically located, being at Newton, Newton County, at the intersection of the A. and V, and G. M. & N. Railroads. It is in the heart of the State and one of the most thickly populated sections, and in this territory Baptist are numbered by the thousands. The past of this Institution has been far from spectacular; rather it has been one of unheralded sacrifice A new day, however, has dawned for Clarke Memorial College. The people of Newton, the Trustees, the Education Commission, the people of East-Central Mississippi, in fact the entire denomination of the State are square behind Clarke College. we have spent this year more than ten thousand dollars in remodeling and equipping this plant for service.

Blue Mountain College—This is now the only Baptist College in the State which maintains a full four year High School course and a full four year College course. In order to standardize a College must either do away with its preparatory department, or make it separate from the College department in faculty, students, discipline and buildings. Blue Mountain College chose the latter because of the fact that there are many girls in Mississippi and surrounding States who need a Christian boarding school for this High School course. The College has just completed the first half century of its history. During these fifty years she has educated many thousand women who are now scattered over many States and Nations. In Mississippi you can hardly visit a community without find-

ing former Blue Mountain students. Almost invariably they stand for righteousness, and for the best interests of humanity and of Christ's kingdom.

Mississippi Woman's College— This institution is located at Hattiesburg and last May closed her eleventh year. The attendance was as good as could be because the dormitories were filled the entire year. The enrollment was above 500. When you remember that this College carried away the banner of the Sunday School and B. Y. P. U. you will recognize the high order of religious training done here. The greatest forward movement taken by the Woman's College for the present session lies in the fact that we are complying with the requirements of the State department of education to be placed on the recommended list of Colleges. This means that any graduate of this College will be eligible to teach in any of the public schools of the State without examination.

Mississippi College— This college is the pride of Mississippi Baptists More preachers, teachers, doctors, lawyers, statesmen and farmers have been educated in this historical school than in any other in the state. The enrollment last session was the largest ever, 410 college students.

We recommend that Baptists in the entire state show a spirit of loyalty to these great educational institutions which belong to them. We must remember that Jesus called the disciples into the mountain and taught them and then sent them out to evangelize the world.

Southwide Institutions are the Baptist Bible Institute at New Orleans, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary at Fort Worth, Texas, and Southern Baptist Theological Seminary at Louisville, Ky., all of which Mississippi Baptists help to maintain

Very respectfully submitted,
H. G. West.

Report on Orphanage This report was discussed by J. N. Franks, H. G. West, D I. Young, W. L. Mills and H. M. Whitten and then adopted.

REPORT ON ORPHANAGE

The Baptist orphanage of our state has been established 26 years. During this period we have cared for 1000 or more

of our children. Many of them have made useful men and women. We have now in the home nearly 200, they have good health and attend school 8 months in the year.

Through the kindness of interested friends, many of our friends have had a college education. Our home is supported entirely by voluntary contribution. The children are trained in all kinds of domestic work.

It is the purpose of the management to so train them that they be able to make their own way when they go out from the home. The home is now getting its support from the 75 Million Campaign and your committee would urge that the people pay up their pledges so the home will be cared for in the way that will be glorifying to God, and to the upbuilding of his kingdom.

We would ask also that the churches continue to send supplies of farm produce, anything that can be used for food or clothing. Our children are trained in all kinds of christian work according to age.

Respectfully submitted,
J. N. Franks.

Report on Sunday Schools. The above report was discussed by W. M. Black and H. L. Rhodes, and the association adjourned untill one o'clock P. M.

FRIDAY AFTERNOON

Called together by singing. Led in prayer by Bro. Al Black. The S. S. report was taken up and discussed by D. I. Young, G. D. Weatherall, H. G. West and adopted,

REPORT ON SUNDAY SCHOOLS

The Sunday school is the church's teaching force, its object is to teach the word of God. And when the word of God is rightly taught, the result will be two-fold, the lost will be brought to know the Savior and the saved will be taught how to serve, which is the supreme task in the christian life. As a means of this end several things need to be considered.

1st. Organization: No Sunday school can do its best work until it is well organized with wide awake aggressive consecrated officers who will give the time and study necessary

for the best interest of the school.

2nd. Trained Teachers— The task set for the Sunday school is to teach. We cannot teach what we do not know, therefore it is absolutely necessary to have teachers who are trained and know Christ themselves, each church must face this question.

The last command is to make disciples and then teach them. It is an obligation that no church should treat lightly.

Each church should arrange for annual training schools and send officers and teachers to our County Sunday school normals held each year under the direction of our state Sunday school secretary

We have had four of these normals in our County, the last one being held at Mt. Morriah church this summer, with a good attendance and about 14 received diplomas for taking the Sunday School Normal Manual. We have had three County Sunday school conventions in our County, which is a great inspiration to our Sunday school leaders and all who attend them. They should have a greater attendance in the future than they have had here-to-fore.

Our state secretary reports about 250 more Sunday schools than there were last year, and that about 1237 diplomas have been issued for the completion of the Sunday school manual, and 5077 seals for the completion of the other books of the course

3rd. Enlistment— We should feel it our responsibility to all the people in our communities and undertake in a serious way to bring them into our school.

Let us make our schools more attractive and by all means observe the special days set apart by our boards on the last Sundays' in March, June and September. These programs are not only educational but they give our people an opportunity to have a part in the denominational work.

4th. Reports: We should see to it that our schools are correctly reported in the letter to the Association giving full enrollment and statistic asked for in the letter. Last year we had only 16 Sunday schools reported in our minutes out of 23 churches. If we cannot give a full report, by all means, give the names of your superintendent and secretary.

Respectfully submitted,
W. M. Black.

Publications This report was discussed by H. L. Rhodes, H. G. West and adopted.

PUBLICATIONS

The intelligence of a home is measured by the kind of literature read in the home. The people are reading now as never before. The great tendency is to read literature that is not calculated to uplift the ideals and morals of the people. The masses of our church constituancy are better informed on all current questions than they are on the general work of the church. Not one in ten of the families in this Association take and read any kind of church literature. This state of condition is not commendable to the denomination.

It is the consensus of opinion of those who teach Sunday School classes that the people are none too well informed on Bible history and facts. It is surprisingly astonishing how few of us know even the fundamental doctrines of the church. It is apparent that there is too great a slipping away from the reading of the Bible.

Since this, a great reading age it is important that the church use her influence in directing her members to wholesome literature. To be well informed along denominational lines one should read denominational literature. Every family should have at least one religious paper. Those who have the time to devote to them, and have the inclination, should read the State paper, The Home and Foreign Field, The Royal Service, and some religious magazine.

Your Committee especially recommends the Baptist Record, our own State paper and organ, to be read by every Baptist. Its editorials are the best that can be found anywhere. The contributed articles from the leading men of the denomination each week will give you a knowledge that cannot be gotten elsewhere. There is a page each week devoted to the Woman's work, and also a page to the B. Y. P. U. You get each week a report from the Baptist Headquarters in Jackson of the general work of the different Boards, and also reports from brethren from different parts of the State concerning local

work.

We also recommend the daily reading of the Bible, for it is here that we learn the things concerning God and his will concerning us. His precious promises fill our souls with joy, and inspire us to strive to do His will.

Very respectfully submitted,
H. L. Rhodes.
W. L. Edwards.

Nominations This report was read and adopted.

The delegate to the S. B. C. made his report and a collection was taken to finish paying his expenses.

REPORT ON NOMINATIONS

We your committee beg leave to report the following: Next place of meeting--Fellowship Church on Thursday and Friday before the 1st Sunday in Oct. 1924.

Delegate to Southern Baptist Convention, Miss Cora Morris.

Associational Supt., Mrs. E. R. Dobbs.

To preach next introductory sermon, J. L. Smith, Alternate J. H. D. Watson.

Respt. submitted
J. W Franks, D. L. Humphries, alternate Mrs. H. L. Rhodes.

TREASURER'S REPORT

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Sept. 29.	Rec'd from finance com. for Asso. purposes	$52.56	
Nov. 16.	Paid for minutes		$41.25
	Postage for same		1.31
	Paid clerk		10.00
	Total	$52.56	$52.56
	Delegate to S. B. C.		
	Balance on hand	3.22	
Sept 29	From finance committee	9.70	
,, ,,	Paid Miss Sarah Whitten		6 22
May	G. L. Keen		6.70
Sept. 4	Rec'd of Ackerman church	3.00	
	Bal. on hand		3.00
	Total	$15.92	$15.92

	Denominational Fund		
Sept. 29	Home missions	4.00	
	Foreign ,,	3.50	
	Orphanage	4.35	
Oct. 2	Paid R. B. Gunter		11.85
	Total	$11.85	$11.85

G. D. Weatherall, treasurer.

Report of Finance committee.

It was ordered that 500 copies of the minutes be printed and that the clerk be allowed $15.00 for his services.

It was agreed that the next Sunday school convention and normal be held with Beulah church.

REPORT OF FINANCE COMMITTEE

Received for minutes & clerk		$43.61
,,	,, Delegates to S. B. C.	30.62
,,	,, Home missions	5.25
,,	,, Orphanage	2.00
Total		$81.48

Respectfully,

D. L. Humphries, A. H. Howard, Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEES

Publications J Miley Smith. Missions C. A. Lindsey. Ministerial Relief C. C. Bobo. Temperence J. H. D. Watson. Christian Education G. D. Weatherall. Sunday Schools H. L. Rhodes. Woman's Work Mrs. E. B. Dobbs. Digest of church letters G. L Keen. Hospitals J. L. Smith.

Resolution of Thanks. These resolutions were unanimously adopted.

RESOLUTION

Resolved that the thanks of the Association be tendered to the good people of the Weir church and community for the hearty welcome and splendid manner in which they have entertained the Association, and may the blessings of God be richly poured out upon them.

On motion the Association adjourned to meet with Fellowship church Thursday before the 1st Sunday in Oct. 1924.

H M. Whitten, moderator G. D. Weatherall, clerk.

ORDAINED PREACHERS

W. J. Dobbs	Mathiston, Miss.
Sam Martin	Ackerman, Miss.

OUR DEAD

John F. Jolly	Lepanto, Ark.
J. E. Perry	Ackerman, Miss.
B. C. McGarrity	Chester. ,,
Mrs. J. M. Mann	Ackerman ,,
Mrs. Melinda Files	,, ,,
Mrs. M. J. McClain	Mathiston ,,
J. E. Fair	Weir ,,
Mrs. A. M. Tier	,, ,,
A. J. Camphill	,, ,,
John Bright	Tomnolen ,,

Minutes of Woman's Missionary Society.

Minutes Of The Woman's Missionary Society Which Met During The Choctaw Association, Weir, Miss. Oct. 4, 1923

The meeting of the Woman's Missionary Society of Choctaw Association held at Weir, Miss. was opened with singing of the woman's hymn, "Come Women Wide Proclaim." Mrs. Black president of the W. M. S. of Weir Baptist church conducted the devotional service. reading several scriptures on subject of Stewardship. A prayer was offered asking for guidance in this meeting and a petition for blessings on our State, district and county leaders.

Mrs. E. B Dobbs, associational supertindent, had charge of this meeting and after a few remarks on the subject of Stewardship, Mrs F. Ferguson gave a talk on "Personal Service." Mrs. B. Fulcher then gave a talk on "Young People Organized." Following these, the State worker, Miss Fannie Traylor of Jackson, was introduced. The subject of her address was "Organized W. M. U. Work." This message was very interesting and of much value to our women. Some of the important points discussed by her were prayer, enlistment, mission study, personal service, stewardship and others. Closing with a prayer.

A roll call of the churches of the association was answered to with reports from a representative from that respective church. The reports were very few, tho encouraging.

It was voted to elect more offices for the woman's work. The business of this election was entered into at once. Nominations for the following officers were heard, Miss Stella Barron, Ackerman, for young peoples leader, Mrs. George Eddleman, Weir, for mission study leader, Mrs. Charlie Franks, Weir, for stewardship leader, Mrs. Appoloni Blanton, Ackerman, for personal service leader, Mrs. E. B. Dobbs for associational supt. Being no further business the meeting was closed with prayer by Miss F. Taylor.

REPORT FROM ASSOCIATIONAL SUPT.

It is indeed a privilege to meet this association in this capacity, as associational supt, of women,s work in Choctaw Co. I must confess this is a large field for service, when we think of the many women and girls over the county with the wonderful opportunities in their reach for doing our Master's work.

We have 24 churches, some pastorless, some without a Sunday School and nearly all without a missionary society. Many of our women have failed to catch a vision of this opportunity and until we do catch this vision of unlimited service for God, much work will go undone.

There is strength in numbers, and during the past year I have felt the great need of more assistance in this association work. There should be a stewardship leader, a mission study

leader, a personal service leader and young peoples leader. These leaders compose the Executive Committee which meets, plans the work, and accomplishes results. I would suggest these leaders be elected for the sake of the work that can be done in our Co. and for the sake of the next Supt.

The only means I have used in reaching the women has been by writing. I have sent out to the 24 churches during the year, 96 cards and 35 letters, on y 21 answers have been received, only 5 responded to the call for a report on the activity of the women One report said nothing had been done;another said the women contributed to the campaign fund; a third said there were 15 women studying the Bible and raising their dues to buy lights for the church, had visited the sick and given 1 box to needy; the fourth said they paid the 75 pledge and made $85.00 for home uses; the last report received said there had been Bible and mission study but no organized classes, as to personal service about 75 visits and 20 trays to the sick and numbers of flowers to cheer the unfortunate, $10 00 given to a needy family. The W. M. S. fosters no organization among the young folks, tho in this church there are two wide awake B. Y. P. U. $307 68 has been expended, $211.93 being used at home, $95.75 sent out to those we know need help.

There was one rally given. This was held at Ackerman; all churches being asked to send a representative. Two responded.

Let us hope and pray our women will see the need of this, the greatest work we could do, and determine to band ourselves together and by help from on high and close cooperation much good be done.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. E. B Dobbs.

Sunday School Statistics

CHURCHES	SUPT. & POSTOFFICE	No. teachers & of.	No. enrolled	Av attendance	No. teachers holding diplomas	No. teachers holding seals	No. Baptisms from school
Ackerman	W. F. Burney, Ackerman	12	200	150	5	5	40
Beulah	S. A. Black, McCool	7	70	60			
Blythe Creek	Era Fondren, Mathiston	2	75	70	1	1	
Bluff Springs	Will Riddell, Eupora	6	77				3
Chester	W. L Edwards, Chester		50				
Fellowship	W. J. Dobbs, Mathiston	7	99	60			
French Camp	Joe Stubblefield, French Camp	5	28	20			
Mt. Moriah	O. N. Harris, Weir	7	68	50			
Mt. Pisgah	W. M. Bowles, Ackerman		60	50			3
New Zion	J. H. Ward, Ackerman	5	57	40	2	2	
Weir	J. N. Franks, Weir	6	76	60	2	2	
		57	800	560	10	8	46

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Financial Table

CHURCHES	Pastors' salary	Incidentals	Building & Repairing	Ministerial help	Literature for S. S. & B.Y.P.U.	Minutes	All other objects	Total for local expenses	75 Mil. Fund	Missions	All other denom. objects	Total for denom. objects	Grand Total
Ackerman	$800	$50	$250	$180	$100	$3 00	$302	1585 00	$293	$ 9	$50	$352	$2037 00
Beulah	200	24	10	81	30	2 70		347 70	266	4		270	617 70
Blythe Creek	100	7		61	11	80	16	195 80		25		25	220 80
Bluff Springs	8			21		1 50		30 50					30 50
Chester	75			26		2 56		103 56	64			64	167 56
Clear Springs	38					1 75	2	41 75	21			21	62 75
Concord	140	9	400	60	12	5 00		626 00	340			340	966 00
Ebenezer						2 00		2 00		4		4	6 00
Fellowship	100			24		3 00		127 00					127 00
Fentress	75	3		35	12	2 00	2	129 00					129 00
French Camp	225		20	55	17	2 50	15	334 50	86	24	16	126	460 50
Mt. Moriah	125			40	10	3 00	3	181 00	64			64	245 00
Mt. Pisgah	100			18	15	1 00	1	135 00	73			73	208 00
New Haven		1		42		2 00	2	47 00	7			7	54 00
New Zion	150			40	7	3 00	2	202 00	194			194	396 00
Providence	35			18	3	1 50		57 50	40			40	97 50
Spring Hill	140						6	146 00					146 00
Weir	600	31		75	47	5 00		758 00	203	1	2	206	964 00
Wood Springs	25					1 00	1	27 00					27 00
	2936	125	680	776	264	43 31	352	5176 31	1651	67	68	1786	6962 31

Statistical Table

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CHURCHES	PASTORS & POSTOFFICE	CLERKS & POSTOFFICE	Increase				Decrease				Total membership	No. taking Baptist Record
			By Baptism	By Letter	By Restoration	Total	By Letter	By Exclusion	By Death	Total		
Ackerman	H G West, Ackerman	Mrs H L Rhodes, Ackerman	41	43		84	15	1		16	256	9
Bethany											59	
Bethlehem											83	
Beulah	Jas. M. Spikes, Derma	W M Black, McCool	1	1		2	10	3	1	14	110	2
Blythe Creek		W P Livingston, Mathiston	5			5	5			5	161	
Bluff Springs		J E Tedder, Eupora		1		1	1			1	80	
Chester	H M Whitten, Weir	J T Melton, Ackerman	4	1		5	2		3	5	83	
Clear Springs	J L Smith, Tomnolen	W P Orr, Chester	1			1	2			2	139	
Concord	H M Whitten, Weir	J S Rhodes, Highpoint	7	5	1	13	5		1	6	160	
Crape Creek											78	
Ebenezer	J L Smith, Tomnolen	Joe R Woods, Stewart			1	1					35	
Fellowship	N A Edmonds, Eupora	T M Jones, Tomnolen		3		3	17		1	18	105	
Fentress	H M Whitten, Weir	H M Blain, Ackerman	1	2		3					95	
French Camp	D I Young, McCool	AL Rainwater, French Camp	8	2		10	4			4	90	25
Mccurtainsck	N A Edmonds										151	
Mt. Moriah	H M Whitten, Weir	T H Howard, Weir	1	2	2	5	3			3	91	
Mt. Pisgah	N A Edmonds, Eupora	W M Bowles, Ackerman	6	6	4	16	3			3	108	2
New Haven	J H D Watson, Weir	J A Chamblee, Weir	10	1		11	5	2	2	9	232	
New Zion	H M Whitten, Weir	J Frank Keen, Ackerman		6		6	8			8	146	2
Providence	J H D Watson, Weir	W F Mills, Weir					2		2	4	100	
Spring Hill	L J Lott, Grenada	J S Southerland, Ackerman	2	1		3	4	2		6	159	
Weir	H M Whitten, Weir	S M King, Weir		7		7	9	1		10	119	15
Wood Springs	J L Smith, Tomnolen	W H Lucas, Tomnolen	5			5					40	
			92	81	8	181	95	9	10	114	2680	55